

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 37 C.F.R. 1.97, and 37 C.F.R. 1.98, Applicant requests that a citation and examination of the references cited below, and on the attached PTO-1449 form, be made during the course of examination of the above-identified application for United States patent. Pursuant to the Official Gazette Notice dated August 5, 2003, copies of the cited U.S. patents and patent applications are not included as this application was filed after June 30, 2003. However, copies of all other cited references are included with this form.

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Document No.	<u>Date</u>	<u>Inventor</u>
2,483,703	October 4, 1949	Legat
3,748,709	July 31, 1973	Potin
3,813,459	May 28, 1974	Potin
4,045,845	September 6, 1977	Kando
4,091,509	May 30, 1978	MacFee

4,267,621

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Document No. 782877	<u>Date</u> September 11,	Country GB
	1957	
44-1042	January 17, 1969	JP
2039191	February 18, 1971	DE
2304314	August 15, 1974	DE
1377053	December 11, 1974	GB
2239963	March 7, 1975	FR
51-4823	February 10, 1976	JP
51-49604	April 14, 1976	JP
1021139	November 22, 1977	CA
54-61702	April 28, 1979	JP
2033957	May 29, 1980	GB
56-51773	December 3, 1981	JP
59-46117	March 27, 1984	JP
0110346	June 13, 1984	EP
59-25221	July 25, 1984	JP
0237068	September 16, 1987	EP
1048237	November 2, 2000	EP
2000-312604	November 14, 2000	JP
2001-211913	August 7, 2001	JP

Some of the foreign references are not in the English language. JP 56-51773, JP 59-25221 and JP 51-4823 are cited in the specification of the present application. English

language abstracts are enclosed for JP '773 and JP '823. JP '221 corresponds to US 4,267,621.

JP 54-61702, JP 51-49604, JP 44-1042, JP 59-46117, JP 2000-312604 and JP 2001-211913, were cited in an International Search Report in a corresponding International Application, and a copy of the Search Report is enclosed. English language abstracts are enclosed for JP '042, JP '117, JP '312604 and JP '913. JP '702 corresponds to Figure 26 shown and discussed in the present application. JP '49604 corresponds to US 4,045,845.

DE 2039191, DE 2304314 and FR 2239963 were cited in a European Search Report in a corresponding European Application. DE '191 corresponds to US 3,813,459 and US 3,748,709. FR '963 corresponds to CA 1021139.

If any additional fees are due and owing, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Everest Intellectual Property Law Group's deposit account, number 50-3189.

Applicants look forward to early and favorable consideration of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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